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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

EUGENE DIVISION

In re

LORI DIANE BACZKOWSKI,

Debtor.

LORI DIANE BACZKOWSKI,

Plaintiff,

v.

BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, F/K/A THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2007-23CB, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-23CB, QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION OF WASHINGTON, SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC.,

Defendants.

Case No. 15-62839-fra13

Adversary Proceeding No. 15-06085-fra

ANSWER AND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES OF DEFENDANTS BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON, F/K/A THE BANK OF NEW YORK, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE ALTERNATIVE LOAN TRUST 2007-23CB, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-23CB AND SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC.

Defendants Bank of New York Mellon, f/k/a The Bank of New York, as Trustee, on

Behalf of the Holders of the Alternative Loan Trust 2007-23CB, Mortgage Pass-Through

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Certificates, Series 2007-23CB (the "**Trust**") and Select Portfolio Servicing, Inc. ("**SPS**") (collectively, "**Defendants**"), by and through their undersigned counsel, for their Answer and Affirmative Defenses to the Complaint (the "**Complaint**") filed by Plaintiff Lori Diane Baczkowski (*pro se*) ("**Debtor**"), states as follows:

1. Parties and Jurisdiction

1. In response to paragraph 1 "Parties and Jurisdiction," Defendants admit that
Debtor is the owner of property located at 6101 Fish Hatchery Road, Grants Pass, Oregon 97527,
which she purchased with a loan ("Loan") evidenced by a promissory note in the amount of
\$200,000 ("Note") that was secured by a Deed of Trust recorded in the real property records of
Josephine County on July 9, 2007 as Instrument No. 2007-013283 ("Trust Deed"). Defendants
further admit that the Trust is the holder of the Note and Trust Deed and that SPS is the servicer
on the Loan. Defendants further admit that SPS is a Utah corporation with its principal place of
business in Salt Lake City, Utah, and that SPS is registered to do business in Oregon. The
allegations relating to Defendant Quality Loan Service Corporation do not relate to Defendants
and therefore no response is required by Defendants as to those allegations. The records of the
Oregon Secretary of State speak for themselves and therefore no further response as to the
allegations of the contents of those records is required. The allegations regarding jurisdiction are
legal conclusions that do not require a response. Except as expressly admitted, Defendants deny
each of the allegations in paragraph 1.

2. Adversary

- 2. In response to paragraph 2, "Adversary," Defendants lack information sufficient to admit or deny the allegations in the first sentence of paragraph 2, and on that basis deny them. Defendants deny the allegations in the second sentence of paragraph 2.
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3. Rule 7008 statement

3. In response to paragraph 3, "Rule 7008 statement," Defendants admit that this proceeding is non-core and Defendants consent to entry of a final order or judgment by the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Oregon ("Bankruptcy Court"). The remaining allegations in paragraph 3 are legal conclusions which do not require a response. Except as expressly admitted, Defendants deny each of the allegations in paragraph 3.

4. Judgment sought

4. In response to paragraph 4, "Judgment sought," Defendants deny each of the allegations in paragraph 4 and specifically deny that the Debtor is entitled to any of the relief requested.

5. Injunctive relief

5. In response to paragraph 5, "Injunctive relief," Defendants deny each of the allegations in paragraph 5 and specifically deny that the Debtor is entitled to any of the relief requested.

6. Recovering my costs and disbursements

6. In response to paragraph 6, "Recovering my costs and disbursements,"

Defendants deny each of the allegations in paragraph 6 and specifically deny that the Debtor is entitled to any of the relief requested.

7. Request for relief

7. In response to paragraph 7, "Request for relief," Defendants deny each of the allegations in paragraph 7 and specifically deny that the Debtor is entitled to any of the relief requested.

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AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

First Affirmative Defense

(Waiver / Estoppel)

8. The Debtor's claim in this proceeding is barred by waiver and/or estoppel.

Second Affirmative Defense

(Failure to State a Claim)

9. The Debtor fails to state a claim for relief.

Third Affirmative Defense

(Reservation of Additional Defenses)

10. Defendants' review of the Debtor's claim is ongoing and Defendants reserve the right to assert additional affirmative defenses as the case proceeds.

WHEREFORE, Defendants pray for judgment as follows:

- 1. That the Debtor's complaint be dismissed with prejudice;
- 2. For its attorney fees, costs and disbursements; and
- 3. For such other relief as the Bankruptcy Court deems just and proper.

DATED: October 14, 2015.

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<u>/s/ Oren B. Haker</u>

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I served the foregoing ANSWER AND AFFIRMATIVE

DEFENSES OF DEFENDANTS BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON AS TRUSTEE AND

SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING, INC. by electronic notice via CM/ECF on the date indicated below to the following:

- Naliko Markel ecf@eugene13.com
- CASEY C PENCE bknotice@mccarthyholthus.com
- US Trustee, Eugene USTPRegion18.EG.ECF@usdoj.gov

and by mailing with postage prepaid on the date indicated below to said person(s) a true copy thereof, contained in a sealed envelope, addressed to said person(s) at his or her last-known address(es) indicated below.

Lori Diane Baczkowski 1025 NE Fall Dr Grants Pass, OR 97526

DATED: October 14, 2015.

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